

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
DECEMBER 8, 2015
7:00 P.M.

A. CALL TO ORDER:

B. ROLL CALL: Members present were Councilmembers James McCormick, Gaila Nielsen, Kirk Clawson, Alan Brauer, Rick Wilson and Mayor Irlan Fullbright. Also present was Robert Peter, city attorney, Mary Jo Cunningham, representing the Ellinwood Leader and Veronica Coons, representing the Great Bend Tribune.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Councilmember Alan Brauer to approve minutes for the November 10, 2015 regular council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

D. APPROPRIATIONS: A motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson to authorize payment of bills and claims processed, seconded by Councilmember James McCormick. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

E. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

F. VISITORS: Ron Cunningham, Art Keffer

G. NEW BUSINESS:

1. New Fine Schedule for Standard Traffic Offences: Presented to council was a proposed Ellinwood Police Department Traffic Infraction and Fine Schedule. Staff explained that periodically the State of Kansas makes recommendations for fine amounts for the offences in the Standard Traffic Offences manual approved earlier this year. A motion was made by Councilmember Rick Wilson to approve the new fine schedule for traffic infractions as recommended by the State of Kansas, seconded by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen. Motion carried. All voting in favor.
2. Review Cereal Malt Beverage Applications: All cereal malt beverage licenses are due for renewal at the December meeting. The City has received the following applications for license issuance:

General Retailer

Kansas Sidewinders MC
Annie Mae's
Eagle Lanes

Container Retailer

Ellinwood Family Foods
H & T Stop 2 Shop
Pop N Shop
Zip Stop

A motion was made by Councilmember Gaila Nielsen to approve the cereal malt beverage license applications for the applicants presented above for the year 2016, seconded by Councilmember Kirk Clawson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

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H. REPORTS:

1. Municipal Court Report: Presented to Council was the Municipal Court Report for November, 2015.
2. Utilities Production Report: Presented to Council was the Utilities Production Report.
3. Staff Reports:
 - a) Staff gave an update on the KDOT Project. He said final plans for the city project have tentatively been approved by KDOT, and they are waiting on KDHE approval. Kirkham Michael is hoping to have the bid opening in December and a contractor selected by the end of the year.
 - b) Staff explained the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan (NRP) has been filed with the Kansas Attorney General's office and the City is waiting on approval for the plan to be in effect.
 - c) Staff provided an update on the Main Street building demolition. Staff has been in contact with Nelson Stone and his plan is to start on the building when he is done with the demolition of three houses on Santa Fe. Staff explained that Pickens Restoration is behind on the contract they are currently working on. The plan is to come to Ellinwood as soon as they complete the project in Garden City.
 - d) Staff reported a draft of the Codification of ordinances has been received and is currently in the review process.
 - e) Staff requested a special meeting be scheduled and is proposing a date of December 14, 2015 at 7:00 for review of employee wages and possible encumbrance of chip and seal project.
 - f) Staff reminded the council of the city Christmas party, Friday December 11th at 6:30.
 - g) Staff requested council input on the topic of snow removal on sidewalks in front of businesses on Main Street. The consensus of the council was to continue clearing the sidewalks on the two blocks of Main Street.

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ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business at this time, a motion was made by Councilmember Kirk Clawson that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilmember Rick Wilson. Motion carried. All voting in favor.

Irlan Fullbright, Mayor

Kim Schartz, City Clerk